Council on Postsecondary Education March 24, 2003

University of Kentucky Pediatrics Hematology and Oncology Clinic Renovation

Action: The staff recommends that the council approve the University of Kentucky request to renovate the Pediatrics Hematology and Oncology Clinic of the Kentucky Clinic Building, with \$850,000 of private funds.

The University of Kentucky proposes to renovate the Pediatrics Hematology and Oncology Clinic in the Kentucky Clinic Building on the main campus using \$850,000 of private funds.

The council has the statutory responsibility to review and approve postsecondary education capital projects costing \$400,000 or more regardless of fund source. Because the estimated cost of this project exceeds the \$400,000 threshold, the council and the Capital Projects and Bond Oversight Committee must approve the project before it is initiated.

The project involves the renovation of 4,000 square feet of the Kentucky Clinic space to house the Pediatrics Hematology and Oncology Clinic. The renovation supports the provision of more space, an infusion room, handicapped accessible restrooms, a larger treatment room, waiting area, onsite pharmacy, physicians work areas, consultation room, central storage, and additional support space. The Kentucky Clinic is located near the intersection of South Limestone Street and Rose Street. The University of Kentucky has certified that funding for the project (\$850,000) will be available from private sources. The university further agrees that construction will not begin until the funding is available. Renovation of the Pediatrics Hematology and Oncology Clinic will not increase the need for operations and maintenance costs from the state General Fund.

Following council action, the staff will forward the council's recommendation to the secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet and to the Capital Projects and Bond Oversight Committee.

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